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Mr. Gerald B. Morgan
Special Counsel to the President
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Morgan:

This is to acknowledge your letter of October 4, 1975 to Mr. Miller, requesting our advice on the claim of Mrs. [redacted] that her husband was engaged in intelligence activities resulting in his death in the Russian Zone of Vietnam in 1948.

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In connection with the introduction in July 1973 of S. 846, a private bill for the relief of Mrs. [redacted] we had occasion to make a thorough review of all records of Mr. [redacted] relationship to the Central Intelligence Agency. Our files indicate that [redacted] was never an employee of the Central Intelligence Agency or its predecessor agencies; however, over a period of time he did have contact with the Central Intelligence Agency, although all such contact had ceased some months before his death. At the time the legislation for Mrs. [redacted] benefit was introduced, we informed the Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Judiciary that we would agree no objection to its favorable consideration. We have notified the Bureau of Employees' Compensation in guiding advice to security information in the receipt of the Department of the Army which bears on Mr. [redacted] contacts with this Agency, which contacts, however, would seem to have had no connection with his death.

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I trust that this information will be helpful to you. If you feel that we can be of further assistance in this matter please call on me.

Sincerely,

Lawrence E. Houston
General Counsel

cc: BCI (Asst. to Dir.)
Sec. Support Div. (Att: [redacted])
Legislative Counsel

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